

Kentucky's Conservation Education Camps



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Camp John Currie

Located 10 miles east of Benton, Ky., on Kentucky Lake. Take Rt. 68 to the intersection of Hwy. 962; turn east onto Hwy. 962, go 3.8 miles. Capacity: 200 per week. In operation since 1949.

Camp Earl Wallace

Located 12 miles northwest of Monticello, Ky., on Lake Cumberland. Take Rt. 92 west out of Monticello, go one mile, turn right onto Hwy. 789, seven miles, follow signs. Capacity: 220 per week. In operation since 1951.

Camp Robert Webb

Located 8 miles south of Grayson, KY., on Grayson Lake. Take Rt. 7 south of Grayson, go six miles, turn left onto Hwy. 1496, go two miles, turn right at camp entrance. Capacity: 200 per week. In operation since 1969.

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Hey, kids! Here's a chance to learn all about Kentucky's outdoors!!!

Each summer the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources holds conservation camp for students who want to learn basic instruction in the safe pursuit of outdoor activities and skills related to our natural resources.

Camp Activities

Available activities include: Archery, Boating/Canoeing, Wildlife Identification, Fishing & Casting, Outdoor Survival, Swimming (Red Cross Approved) and Firearm Safety. Successful completion of a camp activity entitles the camper to an achievement patch. Campers may also earn the Hunter Education Certificate and Boater Education Certificate.



What to Bring:

toothbrush & toothpaste, soap, towel, changes of clothing, socks, swim suit, sheet and blanket or sleeping bag, pillow, sunscreen, light jacket or long-sleeved shirt.

The camp canteen is open at specified times after meals where campers may purchase snacks, souvenirs and postcards. We suggest campers bring \$10-15 in spending money for the canteen.

Away from Home

Homesickness is a very real and natural emotion that can occur when anyone leaves familiar surroundings. The key to dealing with homesickness is to try and prevent it by preparing your child for the stay.

Here are some suggestions from the American Camping Association:

- Arrange for a first-time camper to attend with a friend or relative.
- Discuss what camp will be like before your child leaves home.
- Don't tell children up front that you will rescue them if they don't like camp right away.
- Send letters to children before camp begins so messages from home will be waiting.

Most campers overcome homesickness and adjust to camp within a day or two.

Our policy is to try to convince the homesick camper to giving camp at least one night's try. If the camper insists on calling home the first day, he/she may do so.



Conservation camp is open to all Kentucky students who are 10 years old by June 1 and who have not exceeded their 14th birthday. Preference is given to those students participating in 5th and 6th grade Conservation Education classes in Kentucky schools.

Campers arrive at camp Monday morning and return home the following Friday afternoon. Transportation is contracted by Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) through local school districts or by charter bus service. The camp fee includes transportation costs. Campers are picked up Monday and dropped off Friday at a predetermined location.

Each of the three KDFWR camps has eight cabins which house 25-30 campers (bunk beds).

Every effort is made to assign friends and classmates to the same cabin.

Each camp staff consists of six Conservation Education Program Leaders, including Camp Director, Assistant Camp Director, Hunter Education Trainer, Waterfront Supervisor, Camp Superintendent and maintenance personnel. These are full-time KDFWR employees. Each camp has two certified teachers as interim employees who assist with the supervision of counselors and campers.

Twenty-two college-age counselors are screened, hired and trained to chaperon the campers and to assist the program leaders with camper safety, instruction and supervision. These counselors stay in the cabins with campers.

***Note:** The camp fee includes accident and medical insurance; it does not cover pre-existing conditions.*